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General Assembly

Seventieth session

10:00 — Conference Room 12

15:00 — Conference Room 6

Informal informal consultations on the zero draft of the political declaration, as part of the preparatory process for the high-level meeting on HIV/AIDS

10:00 — [webcast] — Conference Room 4

Informal consultations on how to enable the participation of indigenous peoples' representatives and institutions in meetings of relevant United Nations bodies on issues affecting them

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 16 May 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Second Committee

Informal informal consultations

13:15 to 14:30 — Conference Room 7

Informal informal consultations on the working methods of the Second Committee, convened by the Vice-Chairs and co-facilitators (Germany and Indonesia)

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Fifth Committee
Second part of the resumed session

10:00 to 12:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
	Informal consultations on agenda item 148 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: cross-cutting issues (A/70/749, A/C.5/70/22, A/70/754*, A/70/729, A/70/742, A/70/742/Add.17 and A/70/318 (Part II)))	
12:00 to 13:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
	Informal consultations on agenda item 153 (Financing of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (A/70/580, A/70/717 and A/70/742/Add.7))	
15:00 to 16:30	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
	Informal consultations on agenda item 149 (Financing of the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei (A/70/574*, A/70/701 and A/70/742/Add.16))	
16:30 to 18:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
	Informal consultations on agenda item 151 (Financing of the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic (A/70/604, A/70/712 and A/70/742/Add.12))	

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	Executive meeting	

Group of Governmental Experts to review the operation and further development of the Register of Conventional Arms
Second session

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 11
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 11

South-South cooperation for development

High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation
Nineteenth session

Working Group

15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 2
	Consideration of draft decisions before the Working Group	

Sixth Biennial Meeting of States to Consider the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects

15:00 to 18:00 Informal consultations (closed) Trusteeship Council Chamber

Open-ended informal consultations, chaired by His Excellency E. Courtenay Rattray (Jamaica), in his capacity as the Chair-designate of the Sixth Biennial Meeting of States to Consider the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects (scheduled to be held from Monday, 6, to Friday, 10 June 2016)

[For relevant documents, please *click here*.]

United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III)

Informal intergovernmental negotiations on the draft outcome document of the Conference

10:00 to 13:00 1st meeting Conference Room 1

Opening statements

General comments on the structure and main messages of the draft outcome document

15:00 to 18:00 2nd meeting Conference Room 1

First reading of the Preamble and the Quito Declaration on Cities for All of the draft outcome document

[The Co-Chairs have circulated in a letter, dated 6 May 2016, to all permanent representatives and permanent observers, the zero draft outcome document of the Conference, which will be the basis of discussions during the negotiations. To view the zero draft outcome document, please *click here*.]

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 2127 (2013) concerning the Central African Republic

15:00 to 18:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 7

1. Briefings by the representatives of the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict (OSRSG-CAAC) and the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict (OSRSG-SVC), on the situation in the Central African Republic
2. Progress update of the Panel of Experts on the Central African Republic, pursuant to paragraph 23 (d) of resolution 2262 (2016)
3. Other matters

Economic and Social Council

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
Fifteenth session

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6
15:00 to 18:00	14th meeting [webcast]	Conference Room 4

Future work of the Permanent Forum, including issues considered by the Economic and Social Council and emerging issues (E/C.19/2016/2) [item 10]

High-level political forum on sustainable development

Role of the Permanent Forum in the follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development

United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (twenty-first session of the Conference of the Parties)

Empowerment of indigenous women: (a) Sixty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women; and (b) High-level Panel on Women's Economic Empowerment

Commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the adoption of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, in 2017

General discussion

[Member States, intergovernmental organizations and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies are reminded that observers who had not indicated their participation will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis, on the floor of the conference room. Observers to the session are also reminded to communicate the composition of their delegations, to the Secretary of the Forum, Ms. Sonia Elliott (e-mail elliotts@un.org; Room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

For background and other related documents of the fifteenth session of the Forum, please *click here*. The fifteenth session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues will be served in a PaperSmart manner. The official documentation of the Forum will be available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal in all available official languages.

There will be no circulation of hard copies of documents. However, a print-on-demand service will be available, via which delegates can request for a hard copy at the PaperSmart Desk in the conference room, or by the print-on-demand option on the PaperSmart Portal. Delegates will be able to e-mail any document or statement to themselves from the Portal. No log in will be required to access the Portal. Delegations and participants are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meetings in order to access information and documents electronically.

The list of speakers *is open*. Member States and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers for a particular item should contact the secretariat (Mr. Martin Vrastiak (e-mail vrastiak@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)). Delegates are kindly requested to bring *30 copies* of their statements for technical services and also e-mail their statements to papersmart1@un.org for posting on the PaperSmart portal. Statements should be e-mailed *at least one hour* prior to the scheduled speaking slot and the e-mail subject should include the entity name, meeting name and related agenda item. PDF format is preferred.

For the list of side events, please *click here*.]

Other meetings

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Special event on the occasion the tenth anniversary of the World Summit on Innovation and Entrepreneurship (organized by the World Summit on Innovation and Entrepreneurship (WSIE), in partnership with the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD))

09:00 to 13:00 — General Assembly Hall

14:30 to 19:15 — General Assembly Hall

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Sarah Sharma, UNCTAD New York Office (e-mail sharma61@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6893).

Arab Group (at the expert level) (on the reform of the Security Council)

10:00 to 11:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room D

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

10:00 to 13:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 3

13:15 to 14:30 — Closed meeting — Conference Room D

16:00 to 18:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 12

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

13:15 to 14:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 5

Informal expert-level briefing on the World Humanitarian Summit High-level Leaders' Round Table: "Leave No One Behind: A Commitment to Address Forced Displacement" (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA))

10:00 to 11:00 — Conference Room C

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Natalie Schmidthäussler, OCHA (e-mail schmidthaussler@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-4277).

Symposium on "Cultivating Innovation, Entrepreneurship and Economic Empowerment" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Haiti)

10:00 to 13:00 — [webcast] — Trusteeship Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Haiti (Ms. Dayna Hyppolite (e-mail dayinah.un@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 370-4840); or Ms. Marie-Françoise Bernadel (e-mail fofochebernadel@gmail.com)).

Special event entitled "Economic Transformation and South-South Cooperation and Launch of the Global Research Consortium on Economic Structural Transformation (GRCEST)" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of China, the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation (UNOSSC) and Peking University)

12:00 to 13:30 Conference Room 7

All are invited. For further information, please contact UNDP (Mr. Doningnon Soro (e-mail doningnon.soro@undp.org; tel. 1 (347) 867-1066); or Ms. Devika Parbhu (e-mail devika.parbhu@undp.org)).

Event entitled "How to Implement Sustainable Development Goal 16.2: End Abuse, Exploitation, Trafficking and All Forms of Violence and Torture Against Children" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Indonesia, Japan, Mexico, Sweden and the United Republic of Tanzania, in collaboration with the Global Partnership to End Violence Against Children)

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 6

All are invited. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Japan (e-mail social@dn.mofa.go.jp).

High-level event on "Large Movements of Refugees and Migrants: Critical Challenges for Sustainable Urbanization" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy, the New York Office of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) and the Consortium for Sustainable Urbanization (CSU), in collaboration with the United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG), the International Organization for Migration (IOM), the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), UN-Women (2016 Chair of the Global Migration Group), the International Labour Organization (ILO), Network 11 and the New York Chapter of the American Institute of Architects (AIA))

14:00 to 18:00 [webcast] Economic and Social Council Chamber

For further information, please contact Ms. Yamina Djacta, New York Office of UN-Habitat (e-mail habitatny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4200).

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link *www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp*

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Thursday, 19 May 2016

10:00		Conference Room 12
15:00		Trusteeship Council Chamber
	Informal informal consultations on all issues relating to the Comprehensive High-level Midterm Review of the Implementation of the Istanbul Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2011-2020	

08:30		Conference Room 12
10:00		Economic and Social Council Chamber
15:00		Conference Room 6
	Informal meeting of the co-facilitators of the high-level meeting on HIV/AIDS with stakeholders, followed by informal informal consultations on the zero draft of the political declaration, as part of the preparatory process for the high-level meeting on HIV/AIDS	

Monday, 23 May 2016

10:00		Conference Room 4
	Informal consultations on a draft resolution of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the Work of the General Assembly	
	[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 16 May 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]	

Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

Thursday, 19 May 2016

10:00 to 13:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
15:00 to 18:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Sixth Biennial Meeting of States to Consider the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects

Monday, 6, to Friday, 10 June 2016 Conference Room 4

The provisional agenda and programme of work are contained in documents A/CONF.192/BMS/2016/L.1 and A/CONF.192/BMS/2016/L.2, respectively. For further information, please *click here*.

Participants are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary, Mr. Kenji Nakano (e-mail chen50@un.org); fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-sixth session

Monday, 6, to Friday, 24 June 2016

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information. The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States *at least two weeks* before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 20 May 2016*.

For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; Room FF-700 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943); or by e-mail to contributions@un.org.

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 70/245. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

Review Conference on the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks

Monday, 23, to Friday, 27 May 2016

The Conference will be resumed on Monday, 23 May 2016, at 10:00, in Conference Room 2.

The provisional agenda, as well as the draft organization of work of the Conference, are contained in documents A/CONF.210/2016/L.1 and A/CONF.210/2016/L.2. The above documents, as well as other relevant information on the resumed Review Conference and the list of side events scheduled during the Conference, are available on the web site of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs (*click here*).

With regard to the composition of delegations, the attention of participating States is drawn to Rule 7 (Submission of credentials) of the provisional Rules of Procedure of the Review Conference (A/CONF.210/2006/6). Accordingly, participating States that have not yet done so are requested to submit their credentials to the Division by *Friday, 20 May 2016*, and *no later than twenty-four hours* after the opening of the resumed Review Conference (Room DC2-0450, United Nations, New York, N.Y. 10017). Pending the submission of the original credentials, delegations are invited to communicate to the Division, by *Thursday, 19 May 2016*, the names of their representatives attending the Conference, preferably in electronic form (e-mail doalos@un.org, with a copy to santosuosso@un.org).

States representing a Group of States, as well as delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers, are invited to contact the Division (e-mail doalos@un.org, with a copy to amerim@un.org; fax 1 (917) 367-0560).

PaperSmart arrangements will be available for the duration of the resumed Review Conference. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement *at least one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart8@un.org. The entity name, date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the PaperSmart portal after their delivery by delegations. PDF format is preferred. To access the PaperSmart of the resumed Review Conference, please *click here*.

Delegations are kindly requested to provide *twenty* hardcopies of the text for the technical services *no later than one hour* before delivery of the statement.

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)

Formal open consultations

Monday, 20, to Wednesday, 22 June 2016 Trusteeship Council Chamber

The Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004), as set forth in paragraph 3 of resolution 1977 (2011), is currently conducting a Comprehensive Review on the status of the implementation of resolution 1540 (2004). In this connection, the Chair of the 1540 Committee, His Excellency Román Oyarzun Marchesi, Permanent Representative of Spain, will convene formal open consultations of the Committee with Member States, relevant international and regional organizations, and appropriate sectors of civil society. Additional information will be provided in the near future.

Economic and Social Council

2016 session

Informal informal consultations

Thursday, 19 May 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room C

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "United Nations Inter-Agency Task Force on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases" (under agenda item 12 (f)), convened by the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation

Informal informal consultations

Friday, 20 May 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room C

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system" (under agenda item 12 (c)), convened by the co-facilitators (Japan and Zambia)

Coordination and management meeting

Wednesday, 1, to Friday, 3 June 2016 Economic and Social Council Chamber

Coordination and management meeting, chaired by the Vice-President of the Council, His Excellency Frederick Musiiwa Makamure Shava (Zimbabwe).

For additional information, including the programme of work, please consult the Website of the Council (*click here*) or contact Mr. Marc-André Dorel, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination (e-mail dorel@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7204).

The schedule of the *general discussion* of the items to be considered during the coordination and management meeting is listed in the programme of work (please *click here*). Requests for inscription on the *list of speakers* should be sent, *in writing*, with the full name and title of the speaker, to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Ms. Theresa Olvida (e-mail olvida@un.org; Room S-1281)). Inscriptions to the list of speakers will *close by 17:00* of the preceding day. The time limit set for statements during the general discussion is *seven minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *five minutes* for individual delegations.

For inclusion in the *list of participants*, delegations are kindly requested to send the names of their representatives and alternates attending the meetings of the Council to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org; Room S-1291; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are advised that *only one list of participants will be issued at the end of the 2016 session of the Council*, containing the names of the participants to the 2016 session of the Council.

Delegations are reminded that *PaperSmart services* will be available for the duration of the 2016 session of the Council. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the Council's PaperSmart Portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour in advance* of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the Council's PaperSmart Portal after its delivery by delegations. To access the PaperSmart portal of the Council, please *click here*.

First annual multi-stakeholder forum on science, technology and innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals

Monday, 6, and Tuesday, 7 June 2016 Conference Room 1

In accordance with General Assembly resolutions 69/313 and 70/1, the first annual multi-stakeholder forum on science, technology and innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals (STI forum) on the theme "Realizing the potential of science, technology and innovation for all to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals", convened by the President of the Economic and Social Council (Republic of Korea)

For more details on the STI forum, please contact Mr. Wei Liu, Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail liuw@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3212). Additional information is also available on the website of the STI forum (*click here*) and the tentative programme (*click here*).

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2016 resumed session

Monday, 23 May, to Wednesday, 1 June;
and Friday, 10 June 2016

Conference Room 1

The annotated provisional agenda has been issued as document E/C.2/2016/1.

Members of the Committee, as well as observers, who wish to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations in a note verbal to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Alexander Lomaia (e-mail lomaia@un.org), with a copy to komatina@un.org; Room S-3057. Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Background information on the Committee (its procedures, forms and documentation) is available on the Web site of the NGO Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (*click here*). Members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to use the online Paperless Committee System, where detailed information about upcoming applications can be found, as well as applications from previous sessions.

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

Pre-session briefing

Tuesday, 24 May 2016

10:00 to 13:00

Conference Room 4

In preparation for the first regular session, informal pre-session information briefing on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board at its annual session (14-16 June 2016), combined with an informal briefing on: a) Annual report for 2015 on the evaluation function in UNICEF, and management perspective; and b) Protecting children from violence: a comprehensive evaluation of UNICEF strategies and programme performance, and management response

All interested delegations are invited.

Informal briefing

Thursday, 2 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00

Conference Room 8

Informal briefing on: (a) UNICEF Office of Internal Audit and Investigations 2015 annual report to the Executive Board and management response; and (b) Report of the Ethics Office of UNICEF for 2015

All interested delegations are invited.

Annual session

Tuesday, 14, to Thursday, 16 June 2016 Conference Room 3

The provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2016/5. Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available by *clicking here*. Member States, as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session, are requested to fax their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (fax 1 (212) 326-7096) or e-mail them to harai@unicef.org, as early as possible, but *no later than Friday, 10 June 2016*.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

The upcoming 2016 annual session will be a PaperSmart session of the UNICEF Executive Board. This means that instead of distributing hardcopies in the conference room, all documentation will be available for downloading electronically through the UNICEF Executive Board website.

All session documents will continue to be available on the existing 'Documents' webpage, as per established practice. In addition, the UNICEF Executive Board homepage will provide a link to the 'In-session' webpage that will make available all supporting documentation (Powerpoints and statements, etc.) to the individual meetings.

Delegations planning to present statements at the session are kindly requested to submit electronic versions to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board (Attn. Mr. Dillon Leano (e-mail dleano@unicef.org)). The intended agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. These statements will remain embargoed until delivery of the statement and then posted to the 'In-session' webpage on the UNICEF Executive Board website.

Delegations are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meeting in order to access electronically the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart portal.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

Informal consultations

Thursday, 19 May 2016

10:00 to 12:00 Conference Room 8

Informal consultations on results achieved by UNCDF in 2015 and the midterm review of the strategic framework, 2014-2017.

All member and observer delegations are invited.

Annual session 2016

Monday, 6, to 10 June 2016 Economic and Social Council Chamber

The provisional agenda, annotations and list of documents for the session are contained in document DP/2016/L.2. Kindly note that documents for the UNDP and UNOPS segments of the session are posted on the UNDP Executive Board website and for the UNFPA segment on the UNFPA website.

Member States, observers and other organizations attending the session are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead), as well as any requests to be on the speakers list, to Ms. Henrietta Bledman (e-mail henrietta.bledman@undp.org) for UNDP and UNOPS, and to Ms. Lourdeth Ferguson (e-mail ferguson@unfpa.org) for UNFPA, *as early as possible*, but *no later than* Monday, 23 May 2016.

The annual session 2016 will be PaperSmart, as per established practice. Instead of distributing hard copies, all official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart portal. The PaperSmart portal will provide access to the official documents in all official languages. Statements, background documents, informal documents and presentations will be available in the language of submission.

Documents and statements will be available for viewing and downloading through laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices. Alternatively, Member States may request hard copies of documents using the print on demand icon located next to the document in the PaperSmart portal. Member States may also request hard copies of documents at the Conference Officers' desk located in the conference room.

Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements or presentations by e-mail to the PaperSmart secretariat (e-mail papersmart4@un.org), *at least two hours in advance* of their speaking slot. The intended agenda item should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be available to view and download via the PaperSmart portal upon delivery. Delegations are kindly requested to provide *15 hard copies* of the official statements for the interpretation and other services.

Pre-session informal consultation

Monday, 23 May 2016

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room 12

Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services; the United Nations Children's Fund; the World Food Programme; and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women

Joint meeting

Friday, 3 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 3

All member and observer delegations are invited.

Forthcoming conferences at Headquarters

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Conference of the States Parties
Ninth session

Tuesday, 14, to Thursday, 16 June 2016

Pursuant to article 34, paragraph 5 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, the necessary *quorum* for the meeting is two-third of the States Parties. As there are *164* States Parties to the Convention, the quorum is *109* States Parties. In order to avoid lack of quorum which may lead to substantial delay or call off of the meeting of the States Parties, it is imperative for the States Parties to be present prior to the meeting.

The *election* to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information).

The *credentials* of representatives and the names of members of a delegation issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs should be submitted to the Secretary-General prior to the opening of the session. The credentials may be sent to the Secretariat via e-mail to zhangg@un.org, with the original copy sent to Mr. Guozhong Zhang, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (Room S-2905).

States parties that have not yet informed the secretariat of the *accessibility requirements* of delegates are advised to do so immediately, in order to facilitate their participation in meetings.

For *further information* concerning the Conference of the States Parties, please contact the secretariat via e-mail (zhangg@un.org and enable@un.org), or visit UN Enable website (www.un.org/disabilities).

Forthcoming other meetings

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OIC Group (at the ambassadorial level)

Thursday, 19 May 2016

10:30 to 11:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Discussion entitled "Language(s) and Diplomacy" (co-organized by the International Organization of la Francophonie (IOF) and the Group of Friends of Spanish)

Thursday, 19 May 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 6

All are invited. For further information, please contact IOF (e-mail reper.new-york@francophonie.org; tel. 1 (212) 867-6771).

Event entitled "Putting the Paris Agreement into Action: The Role of Efficiency and Renewable Energy" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Slovakia, the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) and the NGO Sustainability, Inc.)

Thursday, 19 May 2016

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Valeria Zolcerova, Permanent Mission of Slovakia (e-mail valeria.zolcerova@mzv.sk; tel. 1 (646) 732-5160).

Opening of the exhibit entitled "Israel Matters" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Israel)

Thursday, 19 May 2016

18:00 First basement (near the Visitors' Café)

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Michal Carmeli, Permanent Mission of Israel (e-mail unevents@newyork.mfa.gov.il; tel. 1 (212) 499-5696).

Asia-Pacific Group (coordination meeting of the Asia-Pacific member States of the International Seabed Authority)

Friday, 20 May 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Special commemorating event on the occasion of the Day of Vesak (General Assembly resolution 54/115) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Sri Lanka and Thailand)

Friday, 20 May 2016

18:00 to 19:30 General Assembly Hall

All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Uraiwan Courtaud, Permanent Mission of Thailand (e-mail uraiwanya@gmail.com; tel. 1 (917) 855-9691).

Briefing series on the Quadrennial Comprehensive Policy Review of the General Assembly (co-organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), in collaboration with the Permanent Mission of Switzerland)

Tuesday, 24 May 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 12

For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

General Assembly

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

United Nations Seminar on Assistance to the Palestinian People
Stockholm, Sweden (7A Odenplan Conference Center) (19-20 May 2016)

The theme of the Seminar is "Agenda 2030: Paving the way toward a peaceful, independent and sustainable State of Palestine".

By organizing this event, the Committee wishes to review the challenges of implementing the Sustainable Development Goals by the State of Palestine under the Israeli occupation. The Seminar will also focus on mobilizing international solidarity and partnerships for development.

The Seminar is open to all Member and Observer States, United Nations system entities, invited international organizations and representatives of the civil society, as well as the media. The Seminar is also open to the public.

Inquiries can be addressed to the Division for Palestinian Rights, Department of Political Affairs (e-mail dpr-meeting@un.org). Updated information, including the Seminar's programme, press releases and background documents, can be found on the website of the Division (*click here*).

The Seminar's official language is English.

Comprehensive High-level Midterm Review of the Implementation of the Istanbul Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2011-2020
Antalya, Turkey (27-29 May 2016)

In accordance with General Assembly resolutions 69/231 of 19 December 2014 and 70/216 of 22 December 2015, a Comprehensive High-level Midterm Review of the Implementation of the Istanbul Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2011-2020 will take place in Antalya, Turkey.

For more information, please *click here*.

Representatives of Member States and Observers of the General Assembly wishing to inscribe on the *list of speakers for plenary meetings* are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; Room S-3082; with copy to muturi@un.org).

Also, Members States or other participants are invited to indicate to the Secretariat, by e-mail (assaj@un.org) their *preferred round tables* in which they wish to participate in, with a view to obtaining reserved seats, as well as provide a second choice, in the event that their first-preferred roundtable is unavailable due to capacity limits.

Announcements

World Humanitarian Summit
Istanbul, Turkey (23-24 May 2016)

The Secretary-General will convene the first World Humanitarian Summit from Monday, 23, to Tuesday, 24 May 2016, in Istanbul, Turkey. For more information on the Summit, please *click here*. Representatives of Member States and Observers of the General Assembly wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers for the plenary session entitled "Member States and other Stakeholders' Announcements Plenary" are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; Room S-3082; with copy to muturi@un.org). Statements in the Announcements Plenary should not exceed *three minutes*.

Reports of the Secretary-General on disarmament items to be submitted to the seventy-first session of the General Assembly

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (Word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, *by Tuesday, 31 May 2016*, so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its seventy-first session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft word format *is required*. Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Jenny Fuchs (fuchs@un.org).

Resolution 44/1160, paras. 8 and 9, entitled "Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Prohibition of the Emplacement of Nuclear Weapons and Other Weapons of Mass Destruction on the Sea-Bed and the Ocean Floor and in the Subsoil Thereof", adopted on 15 December 1989 (Note verbale ODA/26-2016/WMD-Sea-Bed dated 12 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 69/61, para. 9, entitled "Women, disarmament, non-proliferation and arms control", adopted on 2 December 2014 (Note verbale ODA/29-2016/WDNPAC dated 18 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 69/65, paras. 2, 3 and 4, entitled "United Nations study on disarmament and non-proliferation education", adopted on 2 December 2014 (Note verbale ODA/28-2016/DNPE dated 16 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/24, paras. 10 and 11, entitled "Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/38-2016/NWFZME dated 1 March 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/30, para. 4, entitled "Observance of environmental norms in the drafting and implementation of agreements on disarmament and arms control", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/9-2016/EN dated 15 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/31, para. 8, entitled "Promotion of multilateralism in the area of disarmament and non-proliferation", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/10-2016/ML dated 15 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/34, para. 14, entitled "Follow-up to the 2013 high-level meeting of the General Assembly on nuclear disarmament", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/22-2016/HLM-ND dated 11 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/36, para. 5, entitled "Measures to prevent terrorists from acquiring weapons of mass destruction", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/21-2016/WMD-T dated 11 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/39, para. 3, entitled "Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons and other explosive devices", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/37-2016/FMCT dated 25 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/42, para. 8, entitled "Confidence-building measures in the regional and subregional context", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/40-2016/CMB dated 14 March 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/56, para. 3, entitled "Follow-up to the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the legality of the threat or use of nuclear weapons", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/23-2016/ICJ dated 10 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/72, para. 8, entitled "Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/39-2016/SSCMR dated 4 March 2016 refers); and

Resolution 70/237, para. 4, entitled "Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security", adopted on 23 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/11-2016/IS dated 15 February 2016 refers).

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would also be grateful to receive, on-line (please *click here*), *by Friday, 27 May 2016,* the information relevant to Resolution 68/43, paras. 3, 4, 5 and 6 (a), entitled "Transparency in armaments", adopted on 5 December 2013 (Note verbale ODA/18-2016/TIA dated 4 March 2016 refers).

International Law Seminar for African Universities — Urgent appeal for voluntary contributions

The first International Law Seminar for African Universities is scheduled to take place at the Kofi Annan Centre in Accra, Ghana, from Monday, 15, to Friday, 26 August 2016, to promote capacity building in international law education for the benefit of teachers from academic institutions and government training centres throughout the region.

The African Institute of International Law will conduct the seminar in cooperation with the host country, Ghana, the Kofi Annan Centre, the African Union and the Codification Division of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/116.

Information concerning the seminar is available on the website of the African Institute of International Law. The seminar is subject to funding by voluntary contributions.

The Permanent Representative of Ghana to the United Nations wishes to express her gratitude to China, Italy and New Zealand for their generous contributions to support the seminar. Additional voluntary contributions are urgently needed to support this seminar.

For more information, please see the website of the African Institute of International Law (*click here*); or contact the Secretary of the Advisory Committee on the Programme of Assistance, Ms. Virginia Morris (e-mail morrisv@un.org).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2016:

Nineteenth meeting of States parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (21 June 2016): election to replace twelve members of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information);

Thirty-fifth meeting of States parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (23 June 2016): election to replace nine members of the Human Rights Committee whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information); and

Sixteenth meeting of States parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (30 June 2016): election to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of the Child whose terms expire on 28 February 2017 (*click here* for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting in question.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for the Conference of States parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities should only be submitted to the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) (Attn. Mr. Guozhong Zhang (e-mail zhangg@un.org; Room S-2905)). Original copies of credentials and names of delegates, duly signed by the head of state or government or foreign minister, for all other meetings should be submitted to the New York Office of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Attn. Ms. Sheilah Trotta (e-mail trotta@un.org; Room DC1-213)).

Details on the procedures for the nomination of candidates for each of these elections will be communicated to States parties via notes verbales from OHCHR Geneva.

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training (in English) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the month of *May 2016*:

Introduction to United Nations documents (Spanish)

Basic research on United Nations topics

General Assembly documentation

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*).

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

Report of the High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises

The report of the Secretary-General's High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises has been issued in document A/70/723, in conjunction with the Secretary-General's report, contained in document A/70/824.

***Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council**

The *Repertoire* is published by the Security Council Affairs Division, in the Department of Political Affairs. It is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations to follow the evolving practice of the Council and gain a better understanding of the framework in which it operates. The latest published volume (Sixteenth Supplement) covers the years 2008 to 2009.

For copies, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288).

The Seventeenth Supplement (2010-2011), as well as several Parts of the Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) are available in their advance versions on line by *clicking here*.

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2016 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Tuesday, 17 May 2016

South-South cooperation for development

High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation
Nineteenth session

3rd meeting

Review of progress made in implementing the Buenos Aires Plan of Action, the new directions strategy for South-South cooperation and the Nairobi outcome document of the High-level United Nations Conference on South-South Cooperation (SSC/19/1) [item 2]

Follow-up actions arising from previous sessions of the High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation, notably at its eighteenth session, in 2014, including actions arising out of the consideration of the note by the Secretary-General on the framework of operational guidelines on United Nations support to South-South and triangular cooperation (SSC/19/1, SSC/19/2 and SSC/19/3) [item 3]

Consideration of the report of the Secretary-General on a comprehensive proposal on concrete ways to enhance the role and impact of the United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation, as well as the key measures taken to improve the coordination and coherence of United Nations support to South-South cooperation (SSC/19/2) [item 4])

The Committee resumed its general discussion of agenda items 2, 3 and 4.

Statements were made by the representatives of Benin, India, Peru, Ghana, Guatemala, Egypt, Pakistan, Cuba, Brazil and Uganda.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), the Union of South American Nations (UNASUR), the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO).

The Envoy of the Secretary-General on South-South Cooperation and Director of the United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation responded to points raised in the discussion.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of agenda items 2, 3 and 4.

4th meeting

Thematic discussion on the contribution of South-South cooperation and triangular cooperation in the context of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development [item 5]

The Vice-President introduced the panellists: His Excellency Jaime Miranda, Vice-Minister of Development Cooperation of El Salvador; Mr. Noel González Segura, Acting Director-General for Policy and Planning of International Cooperation, Mexican Agency for International Development Cooperation; Dr. Jiajun Xu, Executive Deputy Director, Center for New Structural Economics, Peking University, China; Mr. Alaa Fahmy, Director, Egyptian Traceability Centre for Agro-Industrial Exports; Mr. Sean Jones, Deputy Coordinator, Power Africa, United States Agency for International Development; Mr. Alikhan Baimenov, Chair, Regional Hub of Civil Service in Astana, Kazakhstan; Dr. Francis Burnett, Head, Organization of Eastern Caribbean States Pharmaceutical Procurement Service; Mr. Virgilio Levaggi, Director of the Partnerships and Field Support Department, ILO; and Ms. Anna Joshi-Ghani, Acting Vice-President of the World Bank Group.

Following formal presentations by the panellists, there was an interactive exchange with participants.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 5.

Economic and Social Council

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
Fifteenth session

[archived video]

12th meeting

Discussion on the theme "Indigenous peoples: conflict peace and resolution" [item 5]

The Permanent Forum held a panel discussion, moderated by Mr. Devasish Roy, member of the Forum, and His Excellency Philip Taula, Deputy Permanent Representative of New Zealand to the United Nations.

Statements were made by the members of the panel: Mr. Akli Sheika Bessadah, from the Imouhagh International Youth Organisation (Tuareg); Mr. Juvenal Arrieta, from the Organización Nacional Indígena de Colombia (ONIC-Colombia); Mr. Niengulo Krome, from the Naga People's Movement for Human Rights (India); and Mr. Yohanis Anari, from the Organisasi Pribumi Papua Barat (West Papua).

Interactive discussion

Comments and questions were raised by members of the Permanent Forum, Ms. Joan Carling, Ms. Aysa Mukabenova, Ms. Megan Davis, Ms. Dalee Sambo Dorough and Mr. Raja Devasish Roy.

Mr. Alexey Tsykarev, from the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP), made a statement.

Ms. Victoria Tauli Corpuz, Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, made a statement.

The Permanent Forum heard statements by the following Member States represented by observers: Russian Federation, Brazil, South Africa, Colombia, Australia and Guatemala.

A statement was made by the representative of the International Labour Organization (ILO).

Statements were made by the representatives of the following indigenous organizations: Saami Council; International Indian Treaty Council; Center for Research and Advocacy; Aliansi Masyarakat Adat Nusantara; Pacific Islands Development Program; Greater Sylhet Indigenous Peoples' Forum; Centro de Culturas Indígenas del Perú; Highlander Association; Khmer Kampuchea Krom Temple; and Elders Council of the Shor People.

Statements were made by Mr. Akli Sheika Bessadah and Mr. Juvenal Arrieta.

13th meeting

Discussion on the theme "Indigenous peoples: conflict peace and resolution" [item 5]

The Permanent Forum continued the panel discussion, moderated by Ms. Maria Eugenia Choque Quispe, member of the Forum.

Statements were made by the members of the panel: Ms. Rosalina Tuyuc, from the National Association of Guatemalan Widows (CONAVIGUA); Ms. Dawn Lavell-Harvard, from the Native Women's Association of Canada; and Ms. Anita Isaacs, from the Haverford College.

Interactive discussion

Comments and questions were raised by members of the Permanent Forum, Ms. Kara-Kys Arakchaa, Mr. Joseph Goko Mutangah and Ms. Mariam Wallet Aboubakrine.

The Permanent Forum heard statements by the following Member States represented by observers: Indonesia, Viet Nam, Denmark, Algeria, South Africa and Guatemala.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR).

Statements were made by the representatives of the following indigenous organizations: Maasai Women for Education and Economic Development; Asamblea Nacional Indígena Plural por la Autonomía; Comisionada Indígena de Paz de Colombia; Sami Parliament; Congrès Mondial Amazigh; Manipur Women Gun Survivors Network; Inuit Circumpolar Council; Grupo Plural por la Igualdad de Género; National Indigenous Women Forum; Hawaii Institute for Human Rights; Asociación de Pueblos Indígenas de Venezuela; and Chin Human Rights Organization.

Statements were made by Ms. Rosalina Tuyuc and Ms. Dawn Lavell-Harvard.

A statement was made by Ms. María Eugenia Choque Quispe, member of the Permanent Forum.

The Chair made a statement.

Summary of official meetings held away from Headquarters

Tuesday, 17 May 2016

General Assembly

International Law Commission
Sixty-eighth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

3299th meeting

Crimes against humanity [item 9]

The Commission continued its consideration of the Special Rapporteur's second report on the topic (A/CN.4/690).

Visit of the United Nations Legal Counsel

The United Nations Legal Counsel, Mr. Miguel de Serpa Soares, made a statement informing the Commission of the activities of the Office of Legal Affairs and recent developments of international law in the context of the United Nations. An exchange of views followed.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in armed conflict. New York, 25 May 2000

Accession: Samoa (17 May 2016)

Agreement on the International Carriage of Perishable Foodstuffs and on the Special Equipment to be used for such Carriage (ATP). Geneva, 1 September 1970

Accession: San Marino (17 May 2016)

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *May 2016* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States
Zimbabwe
His Excellency Frederick Musiiwa Makamure Shava

Asia-Pacific States
Iraq
His Excellency Mohamed Ali Alhakim

Eastern European States
Bosnia and Herzegovina
His Excellency Miloš Vukašinović

Latin American and Caribbean States
Bahamas
His Excellency Elliston Rahming

Western European and other States
Monaco
Her Excellency Isabelle Picco

General Assembly

Seventieth session

For the online schedule of formal and informal meetings of the General Assembly during the resumed part of the seventieth session, please *click here*.

For the *list of speakers*, delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063)).

For the submission of a *draft resolution* for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-7784 (Room S-3044). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

For *PaperSmart Services*, delegations are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

For *announcement for Member States on issuance of communications*, delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations.

The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/70/251.

Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

Materials that are accessible to the public on websites or through the media, such as statements, press releases and images, should be cited rather than included in the communications.

For *future elections of non-permanent members of the Security Council and members of the Economic and Social Council* pursuant to operative paragraph 17 of resolution 68/307 of 10 September 2014, the election for the 2017-2019 term in the Economic and Social Council will take place *in the afternoon* on Tuesday, 14 June 2016. The elections for the 2017-2018 term in the Security Council will take place on Tuesday, 28 June 2016.

The *election of the President* of the General Assembly at its seventy-first session, as well as the *election of the Vice-Presidents and Chairs of the Main Committees* at its seventy-first session will take place on Monday, 13 June 2016.

Candiweb – A website dedicated to elections and candidatures at United Nations Headquarters in New York, to access it, please *click here*.

Seventy-first session

The preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-first regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/71/50.

Request for conference rooms and services at United Nations Headquarters

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For publishing material for inclusion in the *Journal*, please contact the Journal Unit/DGACM (e-mail journal@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3888; or 1 (212) 963-0493);

For media access and accreditation, please contact the Media Accreditation and Liaison Unit/DPI (e-mail malu@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6934);

For detailed information on the policies and procedures regarding the use of conference rooms, facilities and services at the United Nations Headquarters, please refer to document ST/AI/416.

Documentation Services for Delegates provided by the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM)

Useful *links* to United Nations documentation resources can be found at www.un.org/documents. The Official Document System (ODS) features an enhanced search page (documents.un.org) which, using keywords, facilitates considerably the search and retrieval of documents.

eSubscription for a simple and fast alternate way to access United Nations parliamentary documents electronically through the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management's eSubscription service, please *click here*.

Based on RSS feeds (Really Simple Syndication), the latest edition of the *Journal* and parliamentary documents issued daily at Headquarters can be accessed readily on a computer or hand-held smart device. Sign-up is free and easy by visiting the eSubscription page at www.undocs.org.

An overview of all documents with the options "e-mail" or "RSS" next to each document category is located there. After sign-up, documents will be sent to the subscriber via e-mail as soon as they are made available. Comments, questions and suggestions are invited to be sent to help-desk@un.org.

The *DGACM Documents Assistance Centre (DAC)* located in the North Delegates Lounge in Room CB-0264 is a central point of support for delegates seeking documentation assistance. In addition, the Delegates' Documents Counter is located adjacent to the Accessibility Centre in Room S-01B32. To contact the DAC, please call 1 (212) 963-2105; and/or e-mail dac@un.org.

Conference Officer Desks and/or Documents Counters are located in each of the following conference rooms in the Secretariat Building: Conference Rooms 1, 2, 3 and 4, the General Assembly Hall, the Economic and Social Council Chamber and the Trusteeship Council Chamber, where documents for the meeting being held at that time may be obtained.

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Office of the President of the Council (e-mailed dpa-scsb3@un.org; Room S-2472; fax 1 (917) 367-0406). For queries, please call 1 (212) 963-5258.

The *website of the Presidency* of the Security Council can be visited at www.un.org/en/sc/presidency/.

Information about previously *unscheduled meetings* and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by clicking on "Programme of work" on the website of the Security Council at www.un.org/en/sc; or by calling 1 (212) 963-5258.

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of *prepared statements* which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered.

Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Room Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; Room S-0220).

Information regarding the *Journal of the United Nations*

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Kindly take note that the English and French versions of the *Journal* are accessible to blind and visually impaired users via screen readers.

Back issues of the *Journal*, in English and French, can be accessed at the following addresses: www.un.org/en/documents/journal.asp and www.un.org/fr/documents/journal.asp. All comments and suggestions about the *Journal* are welcome. Kindly contact the office of the *Journal* at journal@un.org.

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In addition, a hotline number for updates during weather emergencies or other urgent situations can be accessed by calling 1 (212) 963-9800.

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Documents issued at United Nations Headquarters on Tuesday, 17 May 2016

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations http://documents.un.org in the electronic version of the present Journal.

Symbol	*Main title*
General Assembly	
	Seventieth session
A/70/872–S/2016/437	Item 34 (a) — Prevention of armed conflict — Letter dated 10 May 2016 from the Permanent Representative of Ukraine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*
A/70/875–S/2016/439	Item 72 (c) — Promotion and protection of human rights: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives — Letter dated 11 May 2016 from the Permanent Representative of Ukraine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *3 pages*
	Seventy-first session
A/71/79	Item 74 of the preliminary list — Responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts — Comments and information received from Govern.nents — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *10 pages*
	Thirtieth special session
A/RES/S-30/2	Item 3 b) — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 21 April 2016 — Credentials of representatives to the thirtieth special session of the General Assembly [A C E F R S] — *1 page*

International Law Commission
Sixty-eighth session

A/CN.4/694	Fourth report on subsequent agreements and subsequent practice in relation to the interpretation of treaties by Georg Nolte, Special Rapporteur [A C E F R S] — *48 pages*

Security Council

S/2016/426	Identical letters dated 6 May 2016 from the Permanent Representative of Jordan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*
S/2016/427	Letter dated 6 May 2016 from the Permanent Representative of Mauritania to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *4 pages*
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